

Dallington Public School, Parent Council Minutes

Thursday, March 30, 2017

6:30 p.m.

In attendance:

Jackie Chau, Council Chair
Rachel Harnett: Council Secretary
Paul Wong, Council Treasurer
Susan Pitre, Principal
Adam Somer, Vice Principal
David Hawker-Budlovsky, parent
Maria Pabani: Dallington P.S. teacher
Irida Dushi, parent
Roxana Balescu, parent
Veruschka Muller, parent
Venessa Sandy, parent
Jeremy Schwartz, parent
Rohit Hajela, parent

1. **Updates on Current Fundraising Events:** Jackie
 - move a-thon made over \$2000
 - Apr 4 – 7 is book fair: in library
 - Fri. May 12th second movie night, aiming to use both gyms
 - teacher appreciation lunch May 25 (Thursday): asking parents for a donation of some kind
 - pizza lunch, Venessa will address later on: some parents were complaining that we had too many pizza lunches, so Venessa is looking at a couple of different options for next year:
 - one slice is 3.50, we are looking to lower the price to about 3.00 per slice because of complaints, went from 8 slices in first term to 12 slices in the next.
 - maybe if we spread out the lunches to 20 lunches over 3 terms
 - financial decrease with the more number of slices you buy (up to 6- 8 slices), one form per family
2. **Financial Update** – Paul *see sheet
 - we have a forecasted balance of \$23, 004, thanks in large part to pizza lunches
 - one parent asked about a corporate sponsorship from Pizza Nova
 - Venessa talked about Dallington P.S. becoming a registered charity, cheques would be written directly to TDSB and then given to our school charity.

3. **Student Agendas:** Adam

- possible council sponsorship for 2017/18
- \$2200 approx. cost for the whole school, ordered through Premier
- this way everyone would have them
- important info in the front of agenda

4. **Principal's Updates and Comments:** Principal

- we will be going to a cashless system in the fall, where parents can pay for trips etc., online
- Jump Rope for Heart is coming up, Mme Carson is running the fundraiser, need for parent volunteers
- one of the pizza lunches in June may have to be moved because of a school trip to Harbourfront
- new dress code is being drafted, hoping to have this in fall agenda

Staffing Allocation:

- based on the projected numbers, as of Oct. 2017 from TDSB
- we are projected to have 497 students
- allocating 12 teachers in English, 9 in French, many combined grades, both the FI and English models are a mirror of each other
- rounded total of 28.5 teachers
- VP is .5 for next year

5. **Update on Long Term Park Project:** David

- viability review, things are moving along
- developed, signed off and sent to sustainability office
- 2 design coordinators came in and visited
- they were excited about moving forward with a master plan process
- there are some requirements for the school to do, and they will help us
- certain milestones to create a master plan
- engage in a participatory design process
 - create a master plan first
- work with landscape architect
- AOCA (check) act
- Getting Started:
 - clearly define: What are the goals of the project?|
 - What are the priorities you want to see in this project?

-parent council looked at blueprints of school yard and gave feedback on what they would like to see (climbing structures, viewing/theatre platforms, quiet areas etc.). Council members wrote suggestions, drew pictures of what they would like to see in the landscape

Participatory Design Seminar information link: 50 min overview of what to expect

<http://connect.tdsb.on.ca/p7heb8hyinv/?launcher=false&fcsContent=true&pbMode=normal>

_____ next meeting (last one of the school year) planned for Thursday, June 1 _____